

FULMER CREEK Village of Mohawk, NY Flood Damage Reduction Study

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DESCRIPTION

The study area is approximately 10 miles east of Utica, New York in the Village of Mohawk in the Town of German Flatts. The study area lies along the lower section of Fulmer Creek, a tributary of the Mohawk River. Frequent flooding occurs along Fulmer Creek in the Village of Mohawk due to flows which exceed the existing channel's capacity. The heavy flows that occur in combination with ice jams that form at river crossings cause extensive flooding in developed areas. The principal damage areas lie on the right bank of the waterway and include many residential and commercial structures. The purpose of this study is to investigate ways to reduce flood hazards and associated urban damages from ice jams. The study also seeks to maintain fish and wildlife resources of the existing stream, significant cultural attributes of sites found within potential project boundaries, and water quality of the stream in this area.

AUTHORIZATION:

Section 205 of the Flood Control Act of 1948, as amended [33U.S.C.701(s)].

STATUS:

On 25 March 1999, the New York District signed a Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement (FCSA) with the New York Department of Environmental Conservation (NYDEC), the non-federal sponsor. The draft report was completed October 2004. The draft report was made available to the public in June 2005. The Moyer Creek and Steele Creek feasibility reports were released concurrently. The final report was completed in FY2005.



The Recommended Alternative includes construction of an ice control structure at an upstream location, as well as stream-bank restoration and other flood control measures. In June 2011, the local nonfederal sponsors stated their inability to share in the cost of the construction and operation and maintenance and withdrew their willingness to sponsor the project. The project has been suspended indefinitely.

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